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REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's consideration provided the present application. Claims 1-9 and 13-18 are now present in the application. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Specification

The Specification has been objected to because of the phrases "the drawbacks of the prior art" and "IC." As will be seen by the above amendments, the phrases have been changed to "the drawbacks mentioned above" and "integrated circuit (IC)" respectively. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the Specification be withdrawn.

Claim Objection

Claim 5 has been objected to because the term "IC" must be spelled out. The term has been amended as suggested by the Examiner to "integrated circuit (IC)." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-5 and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Shmueli (US 6,986,030). Claims 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.§ 103 as being unpatentable over Shmueli. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite the reading device for reading a manager memory device and a user memory device, and the computer device being empowered to perform settings of user authorization, time authorization or function authorization for the user memory device by inserting the manager memory device.

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The cited reference Shmueli discloses a portable memory device for a user to interact with one or more host computing devices to provide a customized configuration for that particular user for one or more aspects associated with a computing session. Therefore, the host computing devices are not empowered to perform settings of user authorization, time authorization or function authorization by a user for another user by connecting the memory device, and fails to teach or disclose, as in claim 1, a reading device for reading a manager memory device and a user memory device, and the computer device being empowered to perform settings of user authorization, time authorization or function authorization for the user memory device by inserting the manager memory device. Also, in Shmueli, all users are considered of the same category, whereas in the present invention, the reading device is designed to read two different categories of users (manager memory device and user memory device) and one category of users can change the authorization settings for another category of users.

Similarly, claim 13 has been added to recite "a reading device connecting to the computer device for reading a manager memory device used by a parent and a user memory device used by a child; wherein when the manager memory device inserts into the reading device, the computer usage authorization for the user memory device used by the child can be changed." The cited reference Shmueli discloses a portable memory device for a user to interact with one or more host computing devices to provide a customized configuration for that particular user, without disclosing or teaching the feature quoted above for claim 13.

Claims 14-18 depend from claim 13 and as such are also considered to be allowable. In addition, each of these claims includes additional limitations which make them additionally allowable. In particular, claim 16 recites that "the computer usage authorization is changed by

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changing the setting in the user memory device connected to the reading device." Shmueli fails

to disclose that a user can change the setting of <u>another</u> user memory device connected to the

reading device. Also, claim 17 recites that "the computer usage information of the user memory

device can be obtained when the manager memory device inserts into the reading device."

Shmueli fails to disclose that a user can obtain the computer usage <u>information</u> of <u>another</u> user.

All of the prior art rejections should now be overcome and withdrawn. Independent

claims 1 and 13, as well as their dependent claims, should now be in condition for allowance. As

such, favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.
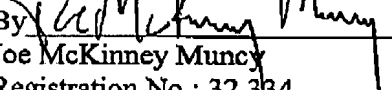
<center>Conclusion</center>

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present

application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned below, to conduct

an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future

replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any

additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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